

Studies in the Doctrine of the Spirit:

The Indwelling of the Holy Spirit



"You know Him, for He dwells with
you and will be in you."—John 14:17b

Valley Grace Brethren Church of Armagh, PA
Sunday, February 6th, AD 2022

The LORD'S Day

The Sixth Day of February, *in the Year of our Lord* 2022

Welcome to the worship services of Valley Grace Brethren Church!

Sunday School—9:30 AM.



If it is conceded that the Christian has certain civic responsibilities and that God's Church enjoys a cultural mandate to share its light unto a dying and decaying civilization, we may well ask "What *specific issues* should be held as vital and paramount in this day-and-age of "**Culture Wars**?"

Morning Worship—10:30 AM.

Call to Worship:* "*Spirit of the Living God*" (#83).

Invocation.*

Hymn: "*Praise Him! Praise Him*" (#59).

Prayer for Tithes & Offerings.

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-18.

Prayer, Praises, & Testimony.

Hymn: "*Have Thine Own Way, Lord*" (#325).

Announcements.

Hymn: "*This World is not my Home*" (#311).

Dismissal of Youth for Children's Church.

Greeting One Another.

Message: "*THE HOLY SPIRIT: HIS INDWELLING.*"

Closing Hymn:* "*Nearer, My God, to Thee*" (#89).

Benediction.*



*The Congregation will please arise, if able.



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Today's Verses for Reflection:

"And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."—Luke 24:49 (ESV)



Week of Jan. 30-Feb. 5

Sunday School—6; Morning Worship—I6

Midweek—5; Church Offering: \$610.⁰⁰

Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study—6:30 PM.

Our studies in the Prophecy of Daniel continue with the account of Nebuchadnezzar's Dream of the Great Tree.

WINTER POTLUCK



On Sunday, February 27th, everyone is invited to stay and enjoy the warm fellowship of an after-church Winter Potluck (i.e., bring whatever you like!).

Ron Barley's new address is Meadow View Nursing Center, 1404 Hay St., Berlin, PA, 15530, Room 331 A.

Dr. Charles C. Ryrie on the significance of the Ministry of the Spirit in the life of Christ—and its practical implications for *us*...

"We may reasonably assume that the Spirit played a role in the development of the humanity of Christ (Luke 2:52; Heb. 5:8). His growth must have been related to the Spirit who filled and anointed Him... He did depend on the Spirit for leading and for power, in some of the miracles at least. If the sinless Son of God used these ministries of the Holy Spirit, how can **we** expect to live independently of His power?"—*Basic Theology*

The Holy Spirit: His Indwelling

By Pastor Terry L. Reese, Valley GBC of Armagh; Feb. 6, AD 2022

The permanent and universal indwelling of Christian Believers is a uniquely **post-Pentecostal** (Acts 2) ministry of the Spirit. A key passage that anticipates and describes this mystical union is John 14:16-20:

"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. After a little while the world will no longer see Me, but you will see Me; because I live, you will live also. In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you."

The Spirit's abiding Presence within New Testament Era believers is unlike the Spirit's temporary "**coming upon**" certain select individuals in Old Testament Times on various special occasions for the purpose of empowering them for specific, temporal ministries (cf. Judges 14:6, 1 Sam. 11:6, Ex. 31:1-5). In marked contrast, New Testament Era Spirit-indwelling is **universal unto all** members of the Household of God, and is **permanent** in nature (John 14:16, Eph. 4:30). Thus, both individually and corporately, Church Age believers literally become living **Temples**, or Houses of God (1 Cor 3:16-17, 1 Cor. 6:19, 2 Cor. 6:16) when the Holy Spirit permanently tabernacles with them.

Again, this indwelling is a gift unto *all* who believe (John 7:37-39)—even the less-than-mature believers of Corinth (1 Cor. 6:19). Indeed, not to possess the Spirit is the certain mark of an **unsaved person** (Rom. 8:9).

"However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him."